



Bringing the County Closer to You!

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Holiday Schedule for Labor Day, September 2

County Offices – closed;

Libraries - closed;

Alcohol Beverage Services - ABS stores open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.;

Recreation – Aquatics programs and facilities open. (Note the Germantown Indoor Swim Center and Kennedy Shriver Aquatic Center are closed for annual maintenance.) All recreation centers, senior centers and administrative offices are closed;

Montgomery Parks - visit www.MontgomeryParks.org;

Ride On – operates on a Sunday schedule;

Ride On Flex – closed;

Metrorail and Metrobus – visit www.wmata.com;

TRiPS Commuter Store (Silver Spring) – closed;

TRiPS Mobile Commuter Store – closed;

County-provided refuse/recycling pickup - No County-provided collection services. After the holiday, County-provided recycling and trash collections will slide, and be one day later than normal with the last pickup on Saturday, Sept. 7. Please place all materials at the curb by 7:00am; If you have questions or concerns about your County-provided collection, please contact the Montgomery County Customer Service Center at 311 (out-of-County: 240-777-0311) or [@311MC311](https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/311). *If you (or your community) have a private contract for your trash collection, or if you live in a municipality, our schedule announcements may not apply to your collection service -- check with your hauler or community manager.* For drop-off facilities, visit [Locations, hours and other details](#)

Shady Grove Processing Facility and Transfer Station - entire facility closed;

Parking at public garages, lots, curbside meters - free; and

State office and courts - closed.

Enjoy Your Weekend Trip!

Get Alerts on the State Highway Administration's Planned Road Closures for this Weekend

HEAVY TRAFFIC EXPECTED OVER THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND *(click on link)*
MDOT SHA Suspends Non-Emergency Lane Closures on Major Highways

For weekly notices, visit <https://www.roads.maryland.gov/Home.aspx>



Update on the Shady Grove Sector Plan Amendment

The Planning Board will receive a briefing on September 26. This briefing will focus on existing outreach, land use alternatives and mobility issues in the area of the planned MD 355 BRT route, and MD 355 and Gude Drive). Soon after, Planning Department staff will host another public meeting to discuss preliminary plan recommendations for the plan update.

Stay informed at <https://montgomeryplanning.org/planning/communities/area-2/shady-grove/shady-grove-minor-master-plan-amendment/>

Community Development Block Grant Funds Available

Deadline for applications is 4:00pm on Friday, September 13!

Applications for Montgomery County's fiscal year 2020 (July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Service Grants are being accepted. You can learn more about this opportunity, and view or download the application, at the Montgomery County Department of Housing and Community Affairs website here: <http://montgomerycountymd.gov/DHCA/community/grants/index.html>.

Montgomery County's Upcounty Regional Office Announces Matching Mini-Grants Now Available for Neighborhood Projects or Events!

Sometimes all that is keeping a wonderful neighborhood event from materializing is a relatively small amount of resources... Well, now there is a local source for that!

The Neighborhood Events Matching Fund was established by Montgomery County to encourage community-building activities, capacity-building, networking, and to stimulate the local economy. The maximum grant amount is \$1,000. Funds must be matched, and the event must take place during this fiscal year – between now and June 30, 2020.

Applying is easy. [Download](#) the application form, complete it, and submit it to Catherine Matthews, Director for the county's Upcounty Regional Office, at upcounty.citizen@montgomerycountymd.gov. There is no deadline for application, but funding is limited. So, regardless of whether your project or event is next month or months away, apply now!

See the [application](#) for more details and instructions.

Montgomery County's "2GEN" Pilot Program Enters Third Year of Systematic Approach to Breaking Poverty Cycle in Families

https://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcportalapps/Press_Detail.aspx?Item_ID=23406



Volunteers Sought for Climate Planning Process Workgroups

The deadline to submit letters of interest is September 15.

Montgomery County has launched a planning process to develop prioritized actions and strategies to meet its greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction goals of 80 percent by 2027 and 100 percent by 2035. The County previously formed three "technical workgroups" of experienced volunteers that will help in this effort. Now the County is seeking volunteers for two additional workgroups. The new workgroups will focus on community engagement/education and climate adaptation/sequestration. Interested individuals should have demonstrable expertise related to the workgroup topics.

The workgroups will:

- Review past County climate reports and plans and best practices from other jurisdictions.
- Recommend actions and innovative strategies for community engagement/education and for climate adaptation/sequestration.
- Identify metrics that can be tracked, as well as data and knowledge gaps that could benefit from, additional technical analysis.

Each workgroup will consist of community members as well as County Government staff. Each workgroup will be co-facilitated by a County Government staff member and by a member of the community. Workgroups will convene approximately once a month from Fall 2019 to early 2020. Meetings will be held on a weekday or weeknight, in Rockville or Silver Spring. Workgroup members are expected to attend each meeting in person. Following the workgroup convening process, the public will be invited to review the workgroup findings and provide input.

Learn more [here](#).

September Is National Preparedness Month; Take Advantage of Local Preparedness Classes and Sign Up for Alert Montgomery

September is National Preparedness Month, and it is a good time for you and your loved ones to prepare for an emergency. Montgomery County's Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS) joins with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in promoting this year's national preparedness campaign themed "Prepared, Not Scared."

OEMHS is providing and supporting [dozens of events](#) throughout the month to help residents with emergency planning. The 2019 national preparedness campaign is broken into four unique themes:

- Sept. 1 - 7: Save Early for Disaster Costs
- Sept. 8 - 14: Make a Plan to Prepare for Disasters
- Sept. 15 - 21: Teach Youth to Prepare for Disasters
- Sept. 22 - 30: Get Involved in Your Community's Preparedness

Throughout the month, emergency preparedness tips will be provided on both [County](#) and [OEMHS](#) twitter feeds and [County](#) and [OEMHS](#) Facebook pages. Click [here](#) to see the four steps for emergency preparedness.

This information is for residents AND businesses!



Upcoming Business Connect Opportunities

Montgomery County *Business Connect Upcounty* is pleased to host the following classes and counseling opportunities for area businesses. *Business Connect* is a program of Montgomery County Executive Marc Elrich designed to make business services available in the community. In addition to classes and one-on-one business counseling, the Montgomery County [Small Business Navigator](#) is on-site at the Upcounty Regional Services Center to help businesses in the region connect to County resources, services and Departments.

Visit the [Montgomery County Business Portal](#) for valuable business information, a listing of training & workshops and contact information for the Montgomery County Business Solutions Group which includes the small business navigator and business liaison officers available to assist local businesses.

One-on-One Business Counseling with Maryland Women's Business Center

Mondays from 9 a.m. to noon
Germantown Library
19840 Century Blvd, Room 4
Germantown, MD 20874
By Appointment Only
<https://marylandwbc.org/>

One-on-One Business Counseling with the Small Business Development Center

Wednesdays from 1 – 4 p.m.
Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Rd., Room 1
Germantown, MD 20874
By Appointment Only
[Schedule an appointment](#)

[Orientation to Creating and Sharing Content at MCM](#)

Wednesday, September 4, 2019
6:30 – 8:30 pm
Montgomery Community Media
7548 Standish Place
Rockville, MD 20855

[Multimedia Producing](#)

Thursday, September 12, 2019
7 – 9 pm
Montgomery Community Media
7548 Standish Place
Rockville, MD 20855

You're invited!

Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of Montgomery Parks' First, Full-size, Purpose-built Cricket Field

Saturday, September 14 10:00am (ceremony)

Cricket Tournament follows

South Germantown Recreational Park Cricket Field

18041 Central Park Circle, Boyds



Saturday, September 14 | 10 AM – 12 PM

**South Germantown Recreational Park
18041 Central Park Circle, Boyds, MD 20841**

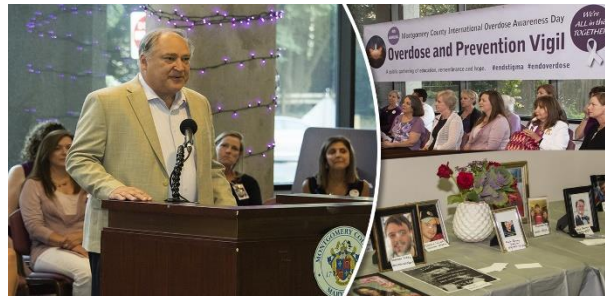
Join us for a ribbon cutting, remarks and light refreshments

Cricket Tournament to follow.

RSVP by September 6 to Erin.Pant@MontgomeryParks.org or 301.650.2867

MontgomeryParks.org





Overdose and Prevention Vigil

Montgomery County Executive Marc Elrich and Rockville Mayor Bridget Donnell Newton recently joined family and friends at the 4th annual Overdose and Prevention Vigil to recognize and remember those who have died from a drug overdose. The event is hosted by S.O.U.L. (Surviving our Ultimate Loss), a support group of families who have lost a child to a fatal overdose, in partnership with the Department of Health and Human Services, the Circuit Court's Adult Drug Court and the City of Rockville.

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council>

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rec>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dep>

Department of Permitting Services <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dps>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/partnerships>

Commission for Women <https://montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw>

Parks Department <http://www.montgomeryparks.org/>

Planning Department <http://montgomeryplanning.org/>

Department of Health and Human Services www.montgomerycountymd.gov/hhs